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With hearty wishes for a brilliant future, I remain, on behalf of the Academy,

Yours sincerely,

EDWARD J. NOLAN,
Recorder of the Council.

WASHINGTON, D. C.
May 29, 1906.

Resolved, That the Botanical Society of Washington commends the scientific spirit and bravery shown by Miss Alice Eastwood in entering the partially wrecked academy building at San Francisco, California, at the time of the earthquake and fire, and saving the valuable types in the herbarium in the California Academy of Sciences. That we appreciate the forethought and wisdom of having the types previously segregated.

That the society sends personal congratulations and best wishes for the future of the academy.

Resolved, That a copy of Miss Eastwood's letter to Dr. Edward L. Greene, giving the details of this occurrence, be filed with these resolutions; and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Miss Eastwood and to SCIENCE.

(Signed)

President, M. B. WAITE.

Vice-president, J. N. ROSE.

Recording Secretary, C. V. PIPER.

Corresponding Secretary, A. S. HITCHCOCK.

Treasurer, CARLETON R. BALL.

THE ITHACA MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCE- MENT OF SCIENCE.

A SPECIAL summer meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science will be held in Ithaca, N. Y., June 28 to July 3, 1906, in the buildings of Cornell University. In affiliation with the association there will meet the American Physical Society, the American Chemical Society and the New York Section of the Society of Chemical Industry, the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, the American Microscopical Society and the American Fern Society.

GENERAL PROGRAM.

The program for the entire meeting will be issued on Friday, June 29. The following events may be announced in advance:

Thursday, June 28, 1906, at 10 A.M., the register for the Ithaca meeting will be open at the office of the permanent secretary, Ithaca Hotel.

At 12 M., the regular meeting of the executive committee of the council, consisting of the general secretary, the secretary of the council and the secretaries of the different sections, will be held in the rooms of the permanent secretary, at the Ithaca Hotel.

At 8:30 P.M., informal smoker at the Town and Gown Club.

Friday, June 29, 1906, at 9 A.M., meeting of the council in the Ithaca Hotel.

At 10 A.M., first general session of the association in the Armory, Cornell University. The meeting will be called to order by the president of the association, Dr. W. H. Welch. Addresses of welcome will be delivered by Dr. J. G. Schurman, president of Cornell University, by Hon. Andrew D. White and by the mayor of Ithaca. Reply by President Welch. Announcements by the general, permanent and local secretaries. Agreement on the hours of meeting.

At 1 P.M., luncheon in the Armory. Adjournment of the general session, to be followed by the organization of the sections in their respective halls.

At 2 P.M., formal opening of Rockefeller Hall, the new Physics Laboratory of Cornell University, with short addresses by eminent men of science.

At 8 P.M., in Sibley Hall, President David Starr Jordan, of Stanford University, will give an illustrated lecture on the San Francisco disaster.

Saturday, June 30, 1906, at 9 A.M., meeting of the council in Boardman Hall.

At 10 A.M., meeting of the sections in their respective halls.

At 1 P.M., luncheon in the Armory.

At 2 P.M., meeting of the sections in their respective halls. Afternoon excursions.

At 8 P.M., a lecture, illustrated with lantern slides, on 'The South African Meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science,' will be delivered in Sibley Hall by

Professor Henry S. Carhart, of the University of Michigan.

Monday, July 2, 1906, at 9 A.M., meeting of the council in Boardman Hall.

At 10 A.M., meeting of the sections in their respective halls.

At 1 P.M., luncheon in the Armory.

At 2 P.M., meeting of the sections in their respective halls.

At 8 P.M., a lecture illustrated with lantern slides, on 'The Great Canals of the World,' will be delivered in Sibley Hall by Major General George W. Davis, U.S.A. Public address under the auspices of the local chapter of Sigma Xi commemorative of the founding of the society. After the meeting the visiting members of the society of the Sigma Xi will be the guests at a dinner given by the Cornell Chapter.

Tuesday, July 3, 1906, at 9 A.M., council meeting in Boardman Hall.

At 10 A.M., meeting of the sections in their respective halls.

At 2 P.M., closing session in Goldwin Smith Hall.

SECTIONAL MEETINGS.

Section A will hold no session at this meeting.

Section B will hold a meeting for the reading of papers in connection with the American Physical Society.

Section C will hold a meeting for the reading of papers in connection with the American Chemical Society.

Section D will hold a meeting for the reading of papers in connection with the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education.

Section E will hold a meeting principally for field work.

Section F will hold a meeting for the reading of papers in connection with the American Microscopical Society.

Section G will hold a meeting principally for field work.

Section H will hold no session at this meeting.

Section I will hold a meeting for the reading of papers.

Section K will hold no session at this meeting.

HOTEL HEADQUARTERS AND ACCOMMODATIONS.

Ithaca Hotel (Headquarters) will accommodate 100; prices on American plan, \$2 (two in room), \$2.50 (one in room), \$3 with bath.

Clinton House will accommodate 50; prices on American plan, \$2 to \$2.50.

Sage College on the campus—especially convenient for members accompanied by ladies or for ladies unaccompanied—will accommodate 100 for lodging and 250 for table board; price, \$1.50 a day for lodging, breakfast and dinner, \$1 a day for breakfast and dinner.

Fraternity Houses.—Through the courtesy of the chapters various fraternity houses on and near the campus will be thrown open for the accommodation of visiting members of the association and affiliated societies. Excellent quarters for about 200 visitors unaccompanied by ladies will thus be available. Assignments will be made in advance by the local secretary to those making application. Price will be the same as at Sage College, namely, \$1.50 a day for lodging, breakfast and dinner.

Information concerning board and rooms in private houses may be had by application to the local secretary. Excellent rooms may be secured in the neighborhood of the campus and table board may be had at Sage College.

Luncheon.—Through the kindness of the university a simple lunch will be served daily in the Armory.

RAILROAD RATES.

A reduction of one fare and one third for the round trip, on the certificate plan, has been secured for those attending the Ithaca meeting from the Trunk Line, Eastern Canadian, New England, Central, and Southeastern Passenger Associations. No reduction has been granted by the Western and Southwestern Associations. The following directions are submitted for your guidance: (1) Tickets at full fare for the going journey may be secured within three days (exclusive of Sunday) prior to and during the first three days

of the meeting. You can obtain your ticket not earlier than June 25, nor later than June 30. Be sure when purchasing your going ticket you request a *certificate*, and do not make the mistake of asking for a *receipt*. On your arrival at the meeting present your certificate to R. S. Clifton, assistant secretary, general registration office, Goldwin Smith Hall, Cornell University. A special agent of the Trunk Line Association will be in attendance to validate certificates on June 30 and July 2. A fee of twenty-five cents will be collected for each certificate validated. If you arrive at the meeting and leave for home prior to the special agent's arrival, or if you arrive later than July 2, you can not have your certificate validated and will not get the benefit of the reduction. No refund of fare will be made on account of failure to have certificate validated. It must be understood that the reduction on the return journey is not guaranteed, but is contingent on an attendance of not less than one hundred persons holding certificates showing payment of full first-class fare of not less than 75 cents. If the necessary minimum is in attendance and your certificate is duly validated, you will be entitled up to July 6 to a continuous passage ticket to your destination by the route over which you make the going journey at one third the limited fare.

LOCAL COMMITTEE.

The officers are:

Honorary Presidents: Jacob Gould Schurman, Andrew Dickson White.

Chairman: Edward L. Nichols.

Secretary: Willard W. Rowlee.

Committee on Hotels and Accommodations: Abram W. Kerr.

Committee on Excursions: George F. Atkinson.

Committee on Transportation: Rolla C. Carpenter.

Committee on Finance: Henry S. Williams.

Committee on Places of Meeting: Frederick Bedell.

Committee on Entertainment of Visiting Ladies: Anna B. Comstock.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS.

DR. L. A. BAUER has accepted the permanent directorship of the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism of the Carnegie Institution of Washington. Since the formation of this department on April 1, 1904, he has directed its work in addition to the duties devolving upon him as in charge of the magnetic survey and observatory work of the United States under the auspices of the Coast and Geodetic Survey. However, as soon as conditions will permit, after July 1, he will relinquish the charge of the latter work and devote his entire time to the magnetic work of the Carnegie Institution, which has been expanded so that a general magnetic survey of the globe is contemplated.

PROFESSOR W. H. WELCH, of the Johns Hopkins University, and Professor Nicholas Senn, of the University of Chicago, have been elected honorary members of the Imperial Medical Society of Vienna. Professor J. J. Abel, of the Johns Hopkins University; Dr. John C. Hemmeter, of the University of Maryland; Professor C. A. Herter, of Columbia University; Dr. Graham Lusk, of the University and Bellevue Hospital Medical College; Professor L. Emmett Holt, of Columbia University, and Professor Jacques Loeb, of the University of California, were elected corresponding members.

MCGILL UNIVERSITY will confer its doctorate of laws on Dr. Donald Macalister, Linacre lecturer of physics at Cambridge and president of the General Medical Council.

THE honorary degree of doctor of civil law has been conferred at a special convocation of Durham University on Baron Takaki, the Japanese surgeon-general.

THE French government has appointed a commission on agricultural hygiene, with Dr. Bruardel as president.

PROFESSOR A. E. KENNELLY, of Harvard University, has been appointed by the American Institute of Electrical Engineers as a delegate to the International Commission for the standardization of nomenclature and ratings of electrical machinery to meet this summer in London.